

RE: Proceeding 04-233

I am very proud of my town's new radio station, Portsmouth Community Radio - WSCA-LP 106.1FM, which I believe has only a 5-mile radius broadcast range. It is a powerful tool in strengthening our community in numerous ways. I am a literary artist and graduate of the local university, and delighted with programs offered like the Spoken Word segment. I will be featured shortly on this show, as others I know working at their craft in the community, and consider this resource a vital element of our professional growth.

In brief, I want to protect local news broadcasts, and give local citizens the power to make their voices heard on their own airwaves. I want to see community radio expand, including Low Power FM radio. I want the FCC to restrict the power of big companies like Clear Channel and Viacom to buy up all the stations in towns like mine.

Thank you for your attention.